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Anna Chance and Kelly Arnett enjoy the sunny weather while they sketch. Blue skies and warm temperatures make it easier to play than study. But finals begin May 8.

Spring 2001 Final Exam Schedule

Tuesday, May 8

7 a.m. TR
9:50 a.m. TR
12:40 p.m. TR
2:05 p.m. TR
5:35 & 6 p.m. T
5:35 p.m. TR
7 p.m. T
7 p.m. TR

8-9:50 a.m.
10-11:50 a.m.
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3-4:50 p.m.
5:35-7:25 p.m.
5:35-7:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.

Wednesday, May 9

8 a.m. MWF
10 a.m. MWF
12 p.m. MWF
2 p.m. MWF
5:35 & 6 p.m. M
5:35 & 6 p.m. M W
7 p.m. W
7 p.m. MW

8-9:50 a.m.
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3-4:50 p.m.
5:35-7:25 p.m.
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7:35-9:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.

Thursday, May 10

8:25 a.m. TR
11:15 a.m. TR
3 p.m. MWF
3:30 p.m. TR
5:35 & 6 p.m. R
7 p.m. R
8:25 p.m. TR

8-9:50 a.m.
10-11:50 a.m.
1-2:50 p.m.
3-4:50 p.m.
5:35-7:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.
7:35-9:25 p.m.

Friday, May 11

7 a.m. MWF
9 a.m. MWF
11 a.m. MWF
1 p.m. MWF
7 p.m. M

8-9:50 a.m.
10-11:50 a.m.
1-2:50 p.m.
3-4:50 p.m.
7:35 - 9:25 p.m.

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"Time rushes toward us with its infinitely varied narcotics even while it is preparing us for its inevitably fatal operation"

Tennessee Williams

Drugs lower resistance to date rape

Tera Ives
Staff Writer

Rohypnol and GHB are strong sedatives, often delivered in drinks clubs, raves, and parties, by someone who plans sexual assault. Most commonly, someone slips these date-rape drugs into a drink, without your knowledge, and your drink will not look or taste out of the ordinary.

Under their influence people may become intoxicated or sleepy and find their ability to walk, talk and make judgments impaired. They become prime prospects for sexual assault.

"No incidents have been reported on campus," Campus

Safety Director Randal Melton said. "We worry because a lot of students do a lot of drinking and someone might slip something into your drink."

know about the drug, but they don't think about it happening locally," Melton said.

In January, February, and March, six cases of rape were

have been a victim of a sedative in your drink, tell someone you trust.

If a person appears to be under the influence of date-rape drugs, "They need to be taken to the emergency room immediately," Melton said. "The incident needs to be reported to school officials or law enforcement."

To protect yourself from becoming a victim of date rape, the officers advised; always go to parties with friends who will watch out for each other. Also, be on guard and aware of your surroundings. Most importantly, watch your drinks being poured and never leave them unattended.

Important Numbers:
Campus Safety - 510-2222
East Texas Crisis Center - 595-5591

Partying is an important part of most college students lives and worrying about sexual assault does not usually appear on their Saturday night agenda, but something that more students should be aware of.

"I think a lot of students

reported in Tyler.

"That number is kinda low, but that doesn't mean anything because a lot of people don't report," Chris Moore, Tyler Police Department Officer, said.

If you feel that you may

"No one can look back on his school days and say with truth that they were altogether unhappy."
- George Orwell

CAMPUS F.O.C.U.S

Have you known someone who has been sexually assaulted?



**Christina
Lawrence**

No, but I would report it because that's my body and I would not want to be violated.



**Laurie
Simpson**

Yes, I know someone who was assaulted. There is a court case in process. If it were me, I would have stopped it a lot sooner.



**Shannon
Grindstaff**

Yes, I know a victim who did not take it to the police. They were underage, scared and embarrassed. I would take it to the police.



**Elizabeth
Dupree**

No, I do not know anyone who has been sexually harassed. I would report it to the police to protect other girls from becoming victims.



**Lindsey
Hurt**

No, I do not know anyone who has been harassed. It depends on who the person was and how bad the circumstances were before I would report it.

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Rape - Women need to report attacks

by Kenneth Dean
editor-in-chief

Once society was a man's world and women lived in the background. But women have worked hard to change that way of thinking. Most now live and work on a level playing field. Why then are most women afraid to speak out if they are raped?

Rape is a violent and horrible crime, more demeaning than others. It is not only traumatic, but it also envelopes the victim with fear.

It is estimated that every two to five minutes a rape is committed in the United States, according to the Office of Attorney General's Crime Victims Service. Because many victims

feel they have lost their dignity and self-worth, many rapes go unreported.

The best thing a victim can do is report the crime, so the rapist can be caught and sentenced to the maximum time allowed by the law. It is important for victims to realize keeping quiet today could subject someone else to the same terrifying experience.

Rapists are not always strangers, but also family members, friends and even husbands.

"Date rape is one of the leaders in this crime," East Texas Crisis Center's Sexual Assault Coordinator Joan Ford said.

Dinner and a movie do not constitute an invitation for sex.

An unwanted sexual encounter is date rape, anytime the offender acts against the wishes of the victim.

"No rapes have been reported on this campus," Campus Safety Director Randy Melton said. But with thousands of college students dating, it seems impossible to believe rape does not occur. Are victims to afraid to speak up?

Victims should report these crimes so these criminals can be arrested and their cycle of terror ended.

Healing can occur - with counseling by a certified therapist. Not talking about the rape may lead to a wide range of life-long emotional problems.

Rape victims need support

from family members and friends to help cope with the crime and its effects.

It is time these criminals face a dozen of their peers on a jury panel and spend time in jail for their actions.

The rapist in jail is better than the rapist on the loose. Speak up and report these offenses, so the streets will be safer for all women.

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LETTERS FROM READERS

Changes in lifestyle reflect loss

To:

Editor Michael Gibson

I have seen so many changes in the students that have come to this campus over the past 12 years and I do not teach any of them in a classroom. The way they dress, the way they talk, the way they just do not care about themselves or this campus - it really hurts. I have said many, many times what you said in your article, "Parents need to do their job."

The Women's Lib Movement helped to destroy the

home. It made women feel like they were nothing to society if they stayed home and took care of their children. To me the most precious thing that you can have in life is a child.

I praise you for your words of wisdom. So many adults of today - my generation - tried to give our children things that our parents didn't give us. WHY??? As long as you have a home to go home to, food to eat and you are not hungry, clothes to wear and a family that care and love, what more is there to life???

My daddy died two years ago. He was a very loving, caring man and he always hugged me, and told me how much he loved me. He hated TV. He felt that it took time away from family and God. He was right.

As I stood by my daddy's coffin, the realization of the saying, "You can't take it with you," hit me. My daddy was a home builder and a missionary. He worked for his family and the Lord. All he had with him was the suit he wore to church. That was it. Nothing else. But I feel that my daddy

died a happy man. He left a lot of wonderful memories and much love behind.

I feel so sorry for the young people of today. My daddy loved to hug and so do I. I am now a grandmother and I am trying very to teach my grandson that life has so much to offer and that he has a lot to offer life.

Jeanie Brookshire
TJC Communications
Coordinator

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Forensic Team places 9th

The TJC Forensic Team won national honors at the Phi Rho Pi National Tournament in Jacksonville, Fla. April 9-14. TJC's four were among 459 competitors from 71 other junior colleges.

The Forensics Team finished ninth in the nation.

Dan Miller won a gold medal in impromptu speaking. LaTisha Waters won a silver medal and Phedra Johnson won bronze in program oral interpretation.

Miller, Waters, Johnson and Frank Patel all received excellent ratings in the multiple events, Forensics Coach M'Liss Hindman said.

"We are happy in how our students performed," Hindman said.

Amy Phillips, who won five awards during regionals, including first place in parliamentary debate, was sidelined by a knee injury. She will be eligible to compete again next year.

Student seeks more lighting

Dear Editor,

As a student at TJC, a parent of a student and a taxpayer, I am concerned with the lack of lighting on the TJC campus. The lighting at present is not adequate for the beautiful campus, and puts safety of the students, faculty and fans in jeopardy. To add lighting to the campus would ensure our safety and enhance the value of the campus.

Sincerely,
Shana Hutton

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**May 9-10 set
for May Term
registration**

Tera Ives
Staff Writer

Students can earn college credit in 12 days by registering for the May Term. Registration is from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. May 9-10 in the Registrar's Office. Tuition and fees must be paid in full at that time, Registrar Bill Wilmeth said.

Classes meet May 14-30.

"It's such a wonderful way to earn three hours credit," English Instructor Gloria Brooks said.

Brooks, who will teach May Term classes, encourages students to sign up for one of more than 30 classes on the schedule.

"In 12 days we really do get to know everything," Brooks said.

Students are only allowed to take one course due to the intensity and time the course requires.

Caddo Lake: Interestingly uncertain

by Kenneth Dean
editor-in-chief

On a recent Sunday when my girlfriend Bonny and I decided to take a road trip to Caddo Lake, we were not certain what would happen.

Caddo, a huge lake and the only natural one in the state, is a beautiful wildlife area. Its dark swamps beneath shadowy, moss-draped trees lend a spooky air and house some dangerous critters. It is also home to some really interesting people.

Driving up Highway 43 out of Marshall, we stopped at a convenience store advertising tackle and bait for fishing. I figured the cashier could tell me where we could find a guide to show us the lake.

"Do you think I know this off the top of my head?" the lady behind the counter asked in a shrill, raspy voice.

"Well?" I stammered at her question that left me almost speechless.

"If you follow that road, it will take you to Uncertain," she said, pointing across the road. "It is the only road in and out. You might find a guide there."

Not quite certain about going to Uncertain via a one-way in-and-out road, we debated the idea. I have seen more than one horror film in which the whole town was evil. Our fears were real, but thoughts of adventure lured us on.

I steered the car down the five miles of winding road, finally coming to the end. We were now in Uncertain.

Finding a guide proved not so difficult. The second place we stopped, a pleasant little mom and pop shop, had a boat leaving at 2 p.m. As we looked around I could sense the regulars giving us the once-over.

We asked if we could fish off their pier while we waited for our boat to depart.

"Why, of course, Honey. Ya'll go right ahead," she said in a pleasant voice. We made

our way to the lake.

The recent flooding in the area gave the air a strong fishy smell, as the sun lighted the moss-covered trees. I could almost taste the thick odor as I listened to the water lap against the dock.

In an hour fishing, I only caught a snapping turtle that was more than slightly ticked off. As I wrestled the hook out of his mouth, he snapped at me. Bonny laughed at us both.

While we fished, a man drove up in a late '70s model Chevy pickup. He got out with a cold one in his hand.

A closer look revealed the man's appearance — in his early 50s wearing overalls, long white beard, pony-tail and a sunburn from hell.

I joked to Bonny, "Wouldn't it be funny if he is the guide?" She laughed again.

An older couple from Santa Rosa, Calif., began talking to Bonny as I just kinda gazed around the place.

About 10 minutes after the man in the truck had driven up, he started walking toward the dock.

"No," I thought. "It can't be!"

It was.

Our guide was now boarding the boat, which held eight passengers. About this time I began to wonder if I'd ever see this little dock again.

Bonny and the other passengers began to ask him questions, most of which got a single he answer: "Uncertain." Could this be a play on words I wondered, or does he really not know?

We finally left the dock, rode about a quarter mile when our guide turned around to pick up some late-comers. Now we were off for good. Maybe forever.

The party barge cut through the water as our guide popped the tab on another Bud.

The scenery was breathtaking — beautiful day with the sun dancing on the water, the wind whipping my skin

and the sound of the water rushing under the boat. I was really enjoying myself while keeping a close eye on the hillbilly steering our craft.

An hour passed as we continued to tour the lake. Moss hung from a thick wall of trees as we passed through, a beaver dam clearly visible on the right and sounds of birds chirping around us.

All of the sudden our guide stopped the boat and asked the people on the back seat to get up. "Nature calls," he said. "Hope ya'll don't mind. The only problem with this tour is there ain't no restroom."

He climbed over the back seat, out of the boat, onto a plat-

form inches from the water.

He stood with both hands on his hips as we listened to the sounds of nature hit the lake.

The California couple looked shocked, but so was everyone else.

"Anyone else need to go before we fire this baby up again?" he asked.

I don't remember anyone answering him. The gurgling motor roared to life and we sped off.

Then I saw another unbelievable sight — a mobile home on stilts. A 60s model harvest gold single-wide mobile home stood some 15 feet in the air. I could not believe my eyes.

Bonny asked the guide,

"How did they get it up there?"

"I reckon they used a jack on one end, then the other, wouldn't you?" he said.

We finally returned to the dock, our adventure almost complete. I went back into the little store to use the restroom, having decided against the back of the boat with an audience of 12 other people.

The restrooms were marked — you betcha — "In-board and Out-board." I could only chuckle to myself.

As Bonny and I headed back to Tyler, I reflected on the day's events and decided I will return to Caddo Lake in the summer. Nothing uncertain about that.

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Foreign student shows what's taken for granted

by Michael Gibson
associate editor

Ask yourself this question: What is the worst obstacle I have had to face? "Oh, my gosh, my car broke down and my Mom has to drive me to school. It's so embarrassing!"

Try coming from a country two continents and 3,000 miles away from your family to better your life. Two months later you're dealing with your father's death.

George Mutashobya came to the Texas in January with the help of his cousin, Erick

Fungo. He is the youngest of 15 children, his oldest sibling is 51.

He came to "... learn the principle of American life," Mutashobya said.

Mutashobya hails from Tanzania on the east coast of Africa. Dar es Salaam, the capital, with a population of one million, contains almost a third of the nation's 3.5 million people. The 2.5 million not in the capital live in small rural villages with their respective tribes.

Tanzania, best known for being home to Mount

Kilimanjaro, consists of 142 tribes, 140 of them natives, one Arab and one Indian. Missionaries tried to civilize the diverse population, claiming their tribal names were "meaningless." Under their influence, Mutashobya's family name became Benges.

Shobya, as his friends call him, lives with his nephew, Erick Fungo, also a student here. A death in their culture is more of a celebration of life, shown to the grandchildren of the deceased, than sadness over the loss of a

loved one, Mutashobya said.

To show they are mourning, the men and women of that clan will wear their heads shaved for a year. They do not wear shoes for 40 days.

Parts of their burial ceremony can actually be somewhat comical, Shobya said. One ritual is called "joking." If, for example, the person who has passed on was a heavy drinker, then a family member would place two or three bottles on their coffin until some other relative pays that person to remove them.

Freedoms are limited in

Tanzania. More than 60 newspapers cover the country, many pushing religious beliefs such as Muslim and Christian.

All in all, it's easy for us to take for granted what we have here in America. If you have the wonderful opportunity to meet George Mutashobya, listen to what he has to say. His stories, accompanied by his radiant smile, will make all those problems and challenges that seem to be complicating your life not seem all that bad.

International Day takes students around world

Coretta Williams
page editor

More than 2,500 students, faculty, staff and community members took a trip around the world at TJC's 11th annual International Day. This year's cultural celebration featured booths displaying the heritage of nations through art, clothing, artifacts and food.

Visitors included from students in area middle schools, high schools, colleges and community members.

"This has been the largest crowd ever," Government Instructor Dr. Manoucher Khosrowshahi said.

TJC students linked to a certain nation or those interested in a particular country operated more than 35 booths where useful and decorative

objects and other information were displayed.

International Day began with a piano concert by William Thomas Wesson, followed by dance from Ethiopia and music from Costa Rica. Director Student Services, Dr. Otis Webster, sang the National Anthem. Appearances by the Apache Belles, Harmony and Understanding and the American Sign Language Club added to the festivities. Special guest of honor was David Dewhurst, Texas Land Commissioner.

"The impact of International Day is immeasurable," Khosrowshahi said. "This Day has an impact on everyone in the area and young people's minds."

International Day has been such a success at TJC that other

people want to do similar things. Over the years, International Day has built a strong reputation in the East.

Eleven years ago when, Dr. Khosrowshahi introduced International Day, he simply wanted to get his students involved in other cultures. That International Day, he said, would be from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in one Apache room and everything fit against one wall. Today, this event is known across East Texas. Khosrowshahi has no plans to move International Day to a larger location.

"International Day was started here at TJC. I want to keep the close connection with TJC and International Day," Khosrowshahi said.

Visitors have no idea how

much time, work and patience create International Day. Khosrowshahi basically gives credit to his students who help bring the Day to life.

"They are very involved to make this day interesting and intellectual. This is a one-of-a-kind event," Khosrowshahi said.

This year's sponsorship was outstanding. Businesses, organizations and individuals donated to International Day. Their gifts ranged from free food to free video rentals.

Khosrowshahi says a lot of work goes into planning International Day. "The results are so good that I forget the work and responsibility that goes into this," Khosrowshahi said.

His intent is to provide an environment to bring people

together to enjoy each others' cultures. This is a wonderful learning opportunity for all ages. Visitors' comments provide evidence.

"Dr. Khosrowshahi is to be highly commended for having the desire to bring about this," Internet Student Mary Sue Standifer said.

"International Day also spawns new ideas for people and broadens their horizons," Sophomore Mark Browning said.

International Day is a lot of hard work, but it teaches the value and appreciation of other cultures.

"When I see the impact, I get excited," Dr. Khosrowshahi said.

TJC graduate wins \$2500 radio-TV scholarship

by Sarah Good
staff writer

One of our own — TJC journalism graduate Ijeoma Osuagwu — was honored this month with a \$2,500 scholarship from the Dallas Chapter of American Women in Radio and Television. She is a broadcast communication senior at University of Texas at Arlington.

Osuagwu stood out among the other candidates because of her grades, industry involvement and enthusiastic letters of rec-

ommendation, Joanne May, former Dallas chapter president said, in a story in the Shorthorn, at UTA.

At a young age, Osuagwu said, she was introduced to journalism by watching the news programs on TV and "grew to love it." Born in Nigeria, she came to United States just before her second birthday.

"My love for writing and reading nurtured my interest," Osuagwu said. She wrote and edited for the TJC News when

she attended here and worked as a part-time announcer for KVNE Christian Radio. She is preparing for a radio-television career.

"Communication, whether print, radio, electronic or television has the power to move people and make them aware of what's happening in the world," Osuagwu said. When we take time to understand those around us, we will learn the "very essential ingredient in communication — listening."

"In communication, my

mother always referred to Dr. Steven Covey's great statement: 'Seek first to understand, rather than to be understood,'" she said.

This scholarship has been offered for the past 20 years in honor of Irene Runnels, the country's first female general manager of a radio station. To qualify, students must complete 75 hours of college course work, have an overall grade point average of 3.25, or 3.0 in declared major, and be enrolled as a full time communication student.

"We are so proud of this," UTA Communication Chair Karin McCallum said.

"The power to communicate effectively transcends racial, ethnic, socioeconomic, religious and gender lines," Osuagwu said.

"I thank God for this award, and look forward to using the tools and power of communication to improve our communities, and impact our world, hopefully leaving them a little better than I found them."

Pink shirts know about breast cancer

Coretta Williams
page editor

"I don't have to worry about that. I'm too young."

"I'm too old."

"No one in my family has ever had breast cancer."

"I don't have any of the risk factors."

These are probably the most common phrases heard from women over the world when talk turns to breast cancer. Sadly, they are often mistaken, TJC Trustee Ann Snyder will tell you.

This disease has no age limits, family gene or specific risk factors that make one woman more prone to contracting the disease than another. This dreadful disease strikes young and old women — and, in some cases, men. Striking randomly, breast cancer will kill more than 43,000 women this year.

Snyder has been a 5-K Komen Race runner for 10 years. She has worn the familiar white T-shirts for 10 years, supporting the pink ones.

"It was the most exhilarating experience I have ever had," Snyder said of those 10 races.

"I always looked forward each year to the Race," she said. "There's no other activity in Tyler like it!"

Race participants wear two colors of shirts. Those wearing white are Komen Race volunteers. They come basically to support the pink shirts.

Those wearing pink shirts are breast cancer

survivors. These persons have lived through the trauma of learning they had breast cancer. And the subsequent disfiguring, often brutal, treatment — chemotherapy and radiation.

This year's Komen Race will have a different meaning for Ann Snyder. When she participates in the May 12 Race that starts in Bergfeld Park, she will wear a "pink" shirt. She will be one of 181 women and men on the TJC Komen Team, one of thousands raising awareness and funds to educate, diagnose, research and develop treatments, some of which will someday cure this dread killer.

"I'm going to have the opportunity to be totally recognizable of what it means to wear pink," Snyder said. "I have the honor to support and fellowship with other survivors."

Those diagnosed with breast cancer need to know they are not in this alone, she said. Breast cancer survivors give support to one another. So do those in white shirts — family and friends who carry on their backs the names of those in whose honor or memory they walk or run.

Within hours of Snyder's diagnosis Feb. 26, she had the support of TJC faculty and staff who have already had breast cancer.

"It was truly a family experience — having a family to support you," Snyder said.

"This made me realize how critical it is for us to take care of each other . . . we can't do this alone," Snyder said.

Strauss to play guitar Monday

by Kenneth Dean
editor-in-chief

Classical guitarist Dr. Glenn Strauss will bring his music to Jean Browne Theatre Monday.

A skilled ophthalmologist and partner in Heaton Eye Associates, Strauss is also a talented musician. He plays a classical six-string Rossa guitar handcrafted in Spain.

Strauss, a father of four and married 25 years, hopes his music is "inspirational" to those who listen.

"Music is the best way to express myself outside of medicine. I believe the common denominator is the positive effect on people's lives," Strauss said.

The multi-dimensional Strauss is not just into medicine and music. A motorcycle enthusiast, Strauss rides his 25th anniversary edition Honda Goldwing to work most days.

"I ride it until the temperature goes under 28 degrees," Strauss said. The Honda was his wife's gift to celebrate their own 25th anniversary.

He began playing at an early age, but started playing seriously five years ago. A former University of Texas (at Austin) band and choir member, Strauss also plays trombone.

A Latin-flavored "Encanto de la Cancion," Strauss's first CD, was recorded live during a concert.

This concert will have classical music with a Japanese sound from different places and times.

Strauss hopes to interact with his audience. "It's about the audience, not the music," Strauss said.

The concert starts at 7 and admission is free.

Phi Theta Kappa inducts 230 honor students

These 230 students were inducted into Phi Theta Kappa honor society April 10.

Amanda M. Applegate
David Jack Ashworth
Tricia G. Austin
Kelli Michelle Barbaria
Haley Alicia Baskin
Leah Francine Beckendorf
Sharon Ann Beuscher
Alan Carl E. Beuscher, Jr.
James Richard Biles
Rachel Danielle Bishop
Shelley D. Blankenship
Jared Michael Boyd
John Austin Brashear
Christopher Brett Brown
Heath Wayne Brown
Marcus Randell Browning
Elizabeth Tillotson Butler
Charley Earl Butts
Candice Anne Cannon
Kathy E. Carrington
Jill Nichole Carter
Zachariah H. Carver
Robert Dale Chambers, Jr.
Mitzi Casas Childress
Jennifer Anne Cizdziel
Crystal Nicole Clay
Jon-Michael Glen Cline
Brandy Jason Cobb
Janie Kathryn Coker
Reagan Matthew Cole

Cristie Michelle Cramer
Kelly Ryan Crittenden
Brandy N. Crutchfield
Amber M. Cummings
Jill E. Daley
Amanda Darnell
Collin Wilson Davis
Kenneth John Dean
Stephanie Anne Deibert
Elena Mayra Delgado
Sandra Kay Devisscher
Melaina Rae Dickenson
Chelsea Renee' Dodson
Mandi Doggett
Jeremy Shane Dollar
Jack William Douglas
Kristen Michelle Dow
James R. Duncan Jr.
Elizabeth Sue Dupree
Curtis Duane Durham
Amanda Jane Dyer
Jillian Lindy Eaves
Matthew Lindy Ellis
Zachary R. Endecott
Rachel Lynn Engledow
Brian Emory Fenton
Kathy T. Fisher
Jami M. Flores
Leah Marlene Ford
Leslie Amanda Francis
Amanda Faith Fugate
Denise Ann Fullerton
Jason Ray Gallegly
Dianna Michelle Gandy
Ginger Anne Garrett

Paul DeWitt Gauntt
Misty Lee Gentles
Summer Ann Gilchrist
Vanessa Marie Gilmore
Abigail Anne Goldsmith
Reyes Reymuno Gomez
Kevin Lorraine Gould
Crystal Jo Greenlee
Molly Elizabeth Gribble
Holly F. Griffin
Shannon D. Grindstaff
Kimberly Carol Hall
Natasha R. Handy
Kevin D. Harrelson
Linda Vernell Harris
Nicki Anne Haynes
Katherine E. Heaton
Miranda Karen Hendrix
Matthew Alan Hensley
Lisa Sharon Henslin
Michelle Rachel Hobbs
Claire Audrey Holbrook
Margaret JoAnn Holley
Robert Carl Hood
Ambrosiour N. Jackson
Katy Erin Jarmon
Bradley Meyer Johnson
Kimberly Lee Munn
Travis Bernard Johnson
Trivicia LaJun Johnson
Salena Michele Jones
Vanessa Lorraine Jones
Sada Marie Joyce
Nidra Lyniquisa King
Jill Marie Kniffen

Nathan Adam Laird
Philip David LeBarron
Joel W. Lightfoot
Rachel Ann Loden
Karin Grace Long
Stacey Michele Lunsford
Justin Ross Luscombe
Nick Don Lusk
Jerry Dale Mallard
Matthew Scott Matherne
Amy Leigh Maxwell
Timothy Eugene Mayfield
Jennifer Ann Mayo
Jill Renee Mayo
Taj Charod McFarland
Brain Paul McKethan
Tara Lorian McMullen
Meredith L. McWilliams
Shelly Renee Meredith
Mary Metcalf
Eric Lawrence Myer
Shenequia Lynne Mickey
Jerry Linda Millen
Alison LeBerton Milton
Sarah Elizabeth Morgan
Jennifer Louise Morvan
Darla Kay Mullens
Michelle Lee Munn
David Chase Murphy
Samantha Jo Nasser
BreeAnn Vonae Neely
Mary Ann Netrow
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Katie Michelle Richards
Cheryl Balmadrid Rillo
Alison Rene' Rives
Brenda Roberson
Carmen Elizabeth Robles
Logan Alan Rogers
Leonard B. Rogers, Jr.
Marilyn Renee Rolling
Suzanne B. Sable
Alicia Nicole Sanders
Leather Malie Sanford
Jackie Santos
Vanessa Mae Saylor
Phillip Perry Schmutz
Shannon Lynn Scott
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Lee C. Stringfellow
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Lauren Jo Thompson
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Ashley Dell Tmpkins
Faralyn Lee Tucker
Philip Dwaine Turman
Jennifer Erin Turner
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Michel Marcel Vaillancourt
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Celebrations display losers' behavior

by Clay Bransom
page editor

When your favorite sports team wins a championship, it is great to celebrate with friends. Driving around town honking your car horn shouting out "We Win" or "We're No. 1" is fun. Celebrating with your buddies with a few beers is fine as long as you keep it under control. But tearing up public property, setting fire to stores and vehicles as police riot squads shoot tear gas is not the way to celebrate a world championship. We have seen this many times. Last year, two cities rioted when their teams won the championship.

When the Los Angeles Lakers beat the Indiana Pacers to win the National Basketball Association Finals, giving Los Angeles its first major championship since 1988, NBC showed a bonfire outside the Staples Center (the Lakers home court) with fans dancing around the blaze. Shortly after, riots broke out in downtown Los Angeles, out of control fans looted police cars, restaurants and stores as Molotov cocktails, chairs and stones broke windows. Lakers star Shaquille O'Neal gave the Los Angeles Police Department money to buy new police cars to replace the ones destroyed by fans.

In East Lansing, Mich., shortly after the Michigan State University Spartans won the National Championship in men's basketball, drunken college students set fires on the Michigan State campus. East Lansing Police and MSU Police in with riot gear came to break up the riots. Most students involved were either expelled or paid fines before they could get their diplomas.

The last six championships in Detroit (the National Hockey League Red Wings in 1997-98, the NBA Pistons in 1989-90, and Major League

Baseball's Tigers in 1968 and 1984), resulted in trashed buildings and cars and fires in the city. Of the Chicago Bulls six NBA titles in the 90's, five times Chicago faced riots. The last seven Stanley Cups the Montreal Canadiens won, led to riots in Montreal.

In 1955, NHL President John A. Ziegler Jr. suspended Canadiens' star player Rocket Richard for the last 15 games of the season for fighting with a Red Wings player. A few weeks later, when the Canadiens and Red Wings met at the old Montreal Forum to play for first place, Montreal fans threw rotten tomatoes and other objects at Ziegler. One fan walked up to Ziegler pretending to shake his hand, but instead punched him in the face. Ziegler called the game a forfeit in favor of the Red Wings. Montreal fans tore up the city, breaking out windows in stores and in cars and setting on fire. After that year, the Canadiens won five consecutive Stanley Cups from 1956-60.

Why riot in the first place? Those who riot, can go to jail for a while. How would you feel if your car or your store was destroyed by an idiotic sports fan who thought it was a cool thing to do because his team won the title? Teams can celebrate a championship without violence. When the Dallas Stars won the Stanley Cup in 1999, despite the game ending after 1 a.m., no violence occurred. Dallas police had about 70 percent of their force on duty in case a riot broke out.

When your team wins a championship, celebrate it with friends at a restaurant, bar, or at their residence. But don't go out in the city, set cars and buildings on fire and end up at the County Jail.

3 former Apaches headed to NFL

by Clay Bransom
page editor

In one of its most unpredictable drafts, the National Football League chose two former TJC football players and a former John Tyler star and signed one as an undrafted free agent earlier this month.

Wide Receiver Robert Ferguson, who finished his college career at Texas A&M University, may soon be catching passes from Brett Favre. Ferguson was selected in the second round by the Green Bay Packers.

"We are happy for Robert," said TJC Offensive Coordinator Scott Clough. "I think he will do great if he stays healthy."

"Robert is a warrior and he will do whatever it takes because that kid will find a way to compete," Clough said.

Safety Curtis Fuller was selected in the fourth round by the Seattle

Seahawks and joins a secondary that includes All-Pro Shawn Springs. After playing at TJC, Fuller starred at Texas Christian University and was one of six Horned Frogs selected in the draft.

"Curtis is a very smart player and I think he will make it on the team," Apache Head Coach Dale Carr said.

Dominic Rhodes, who played at Midwestern State University after running touchdowns for TJC, signed as an undrafted free agent with the Indianapolis Colts. He will likely serve as backup to All-Pro Edgerrin James.

Former John Tyler High School star Gary Baxter, who starred as a defensive back at Baylor University for four years, was selected in the second round by the Super Bowl Champion Baltimore Ravens to join the NFL's top defense.

Missing cup matters a lot

by John Wilmoth
staff writer

Three summers ago, the world of baseball forever changed. While one man rose to the top, another was devastated. One man had a new trophy to show off to all his friends and the other was left shaking his head in disbelief. No, I'm not talking about Mark McGwire out-slugging Sammy Sosa in the home run race. I'm talking about some bozo stealing Big Mac's cup!

This wasn't a coffee cup or a cup of tea he left sitting out; this was a protective cup. The same one he had since the minor leagues over a decade ago. But after a series in Houston against the Astros, it didn't make it back to St. Louis.

This is the single most important piece of equipment in men's sports. Mike Piazza would probably risk taking a foul tip to his GQ toothy-grin without a mask before he'd try to stop a pitch in the dirt without a cup.

It doesn't matter if you're crouching behind home plate for nine innings like Piazza or playing first base like McGwire — the cup is of great importance.

Take soccer for example. Dur-

ing a free kick, players line up shoulder-to-shoulder and build a human wall to block the kick. They then use their hands as a man-made cup and turn their heads. These guys don't care if the ball gets embedded into their chest or slams into their face like a Chinese fighter plane as long as it doesn't find the back of the net or anything else.

Basketball was somewhat harmless until defenders evolved their hand checks into "cup checks." A defensive player keeps his forearm along the ball handler's back and, without warning, goes in for the check. Any center would gladly take one of Karl Malone's cheap, flying elbows to the chops before he'd take a flying knee to the groin while crashing the boards.

If there is anything good that can come out of a cup-less experience, it is the prize money. The big winners on funny home video shows always showed a three-year-old launching a tennis ball into his dad's groin.

So, if you happen to have Big Mac's cup bronzed and hanging from a plaque in your office, give it back already! He might need it someday.

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